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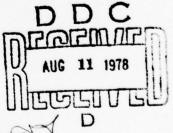
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Honorable Brendan T. Byrne Governor of New Jersey Trenton, New Jersey 08621

Dear Governor Byrne:

Inclosed is the Phase I Inspection Report for Green Swamp No. 1, in Passaic County, New Jersey which has been prepared under authorization of the Dam Inspection Act, Public Law 92-367. A brief assessment of the dam's condition is given on the first two pages of the report.

Based on usual observation, available records, calculations and past operational performance, Green Swamp No. 1 Dam is judged to be in good condition. To insure adequacy of the structure, the following actions, as a minimum, are recommended:

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- b. The settled upstream rip-rap slope area and the two settled upstream crest areas should be checked periodically for any possible further settlement.
- c. The tree clearing program, on the downstream embankment, currently in progress, should be continued and completed within calendar year 1979. As soon as the slopes are cleared, they should be dressed and seeded with selected grass to prevent erosion.

NAPEN-D Honorable Brendan T. Byrne

A copy of the report is being furnished to Mr. Dirk C. Hofman, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the designated State Office contact for this program. Within five days of the date of this letter, a copy will also be sent to Congressman William H. Roe of the Eighth District. Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, the inspection report will be subject to release by this office, upon request, thirty days after the date of this letter.

Additional copies of this report may be obtained from the National Technical Information Services (NTIS), Springfield, Virginia, 22161 at a reasonable cost. Please allow four to six weeks from the date of this letter for NTIS to have copies of the report available.

An important aspect of the Dam Safety Program will be the implementation of the recommendations made as a result of the inspection. We accordingly request that we be advised of proposed actions taken by the State to implement our recommendations.

Sincerely yours,

1 Incl As stated HARRY V. DUTCHYSHYN

Colonel, Corps of Engineer

District Engineer

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Mr. Dirk C. Hofman, P.E.

Department of Environmental Protection





#### PHASE I REPORT NATIONAL DAM SAFETY PROGRAM

#### ASSESSMENTS OF GENERAL CONDITIONS

Name of Dam:

Green Swamp No. 1

State:

New Jersey

County:

Passaic

U.S.G.S. Quad Sheet:

Wanague, N.J.

Coordinates:

N 41 02' 29" E 74 19' 23"

Stream:

None (Off the Wanaque River)

Date of Inspection:

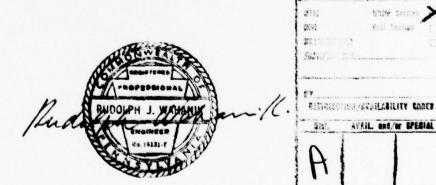
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The dam is in good condition as defined in Appendix H. [No items requiring drastic and immediate action were observed.]

#### It is recommended that:

- The effects of the PMF and 1/2 PMF on the Wanaque Reservoir, which will raise the water level above the elevation of both the impervious zone and the concrete corewall of the dam, be studied in the near future.
- The tree clearing program be continued and completed in the future; re-dressing and seeding with grass of the downstream slope to follow subsequently.

 The settled riprap slope area and the settled crest areas be checked periodically for further settlement.



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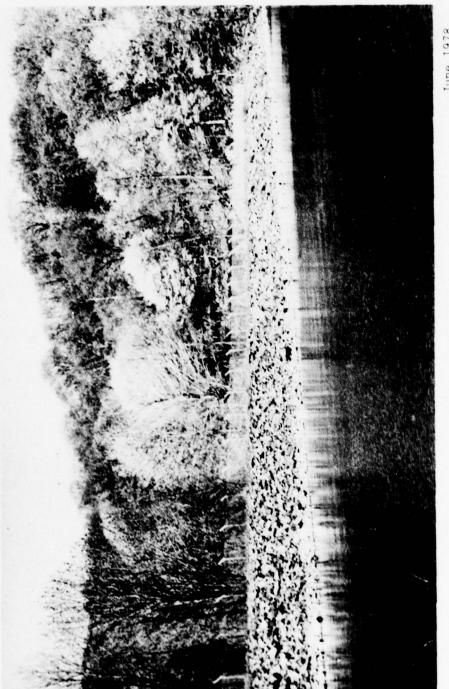
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HARRY V. DUTCHYSHYN Colonel Corps of Engineers

District Engineer

DATE:

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June 1978

OVERVIEW - GREEN SWAMP NO. 1

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#### 1.0 PROJECT INFORMATION

#### 1.1 GENERAL

- 1.1.1 Authority: Public Law 92-367, 8 August 1972, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the U.S. Corps of Engineers to initiate a national program of safety inspections of non-federal dams in the United States. Gilbert Associates, Inc. has entered into a contract, No. DACW61-78-C-0114, with the Philadelphia Office of the U.S. Corps of Engineers to inspect this dam, Gilbert Work Order 06-7249-050.
- 1.1.2 <u>Purpose of Inspection</u>: The purpose is to conduct a Phase I inspection according to the U.S. Corps of Engineers' Recommended Guideline for Safety Inspection of Dams (Reference 1), and contract requirements between Gilbert Associates, Inc. and the Corps of Engineers. The objective includes expeditiously identifying those dams which pose an immediate threat to human life or property and to recommend future studies and/or any obvious remedial actions indicated by the inspection.

#### 1.2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- 1.2.1 <u>Dam and Appurtenances</u>: According to the drawings, the Greenswamp Dam #1 is a 30-foot high, 640-foot long earthfill dam with a concrete corewall extending down to a maximum final rock depth of 62 feet below the top of dam. An impervious zone located on the upstream side next to the corewall extends down to bedrock. The foundation rocks for the concrete corewall were grouted. The upstream face of the embankment has been heavily lined with riprap.
- 1.2.2 Location: The dam is located about 1.5 miles northwest of Haskell, N.J. and about 2.0 miles north of Bloomingdale, N.J. This dam lies on the southwest rim of the Wanaque Reservoir, at a distance of about 2.0 miles east of Raymond Dam. (See Figure 1)

Geologically, the dam is located within the physiographic province of the Precambrian Highlands, composed of biotite gneiss, amphibolite, pegmatite and metamorphosed limestone and skarn. (See Appendix F)

- 1.2.3 <u>Size Classification</u>: The dam is classified as a large structure because of its impoundment (62,000 acre feet), in accordance with Section 2.1.1 of Reference 1.
- 1.2.4 <u>Hazard Classification</u>: The dam is located 1,000 feet upstream of Lake Iosco and the moderately populated floodplain which extends down to Bloomingdale, N.J. The dam is classified as a high hazard potential based on the requirements of Section 2.1.2 of Reference 1.

1.2.5 Ownership: The dam is owned and maintained by the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission (NJDWSC), a New Jersey state commission. They have engineering and maintenance facilities located at Raymond Dam in Wanaque, N.J. The Chief Engineer of the NJDWSC in Wanaque is Mr. Dean C. Noll. The address is:

North Jersey District Water Supply Commission Ringwood Avenue Wanaque, N.J. 07465

- 1.2.6 <u>Purpose of Dam</u>: The Greenswamp Dam No. 1 serves as a dam which closes off low topography in the rim of the Wanaque Reservoir. The reservoir supplies water to residents of Paterson, Passaic, Clifton, Montclair, Glen Ridge, Newark, Kearny, Bloomfield and Bayonne, New Jersey.
- 1.2.7 Design and Construction History: This dam was constructed from July 5, 1924 to October 10, 1926 by Winston & Company, Inc. of Kingston, N.Y., as part of the total Wanaque Project. The project began in 1920 and was completed with the reservoir being filled by March 4, 1929. The original design records could not be located by the staff of the NJDWDC at Wanaque. However, publications indicate the design was performed by employees of the NJDWSC with the assistance of individual consultants. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has monthly progress inspection reports and several photographs taken during construction. There is no indication of subsequent construction other than minor maintenance.
- 1.2.8 Normal Operational Procedures: There is no operational procedure for this dam. Adequate freeboard is relied on to contain storm surges in the reservoir, with overflow handled by the Overflow Weir (NJ 00214). See Location Map, Figure 1.
- 1.3 PERTINENT DATA
- 1.3.1 Drainage Area: 90.4 square miles
- 1.3.2 Discharge at Dam Site: Not Applicable
- 1.3.3 Elevation: (Feet above MSL)

Top Dam - 310.0

Maximum Spillway Design Flood (SDF) Surcharge - 308.8 (See Section 5.0)

Full Flood Control Pool - Not Applicable

Recreation Pool - Not Applicable

Spillway Crest (gated) - Not Applicable

Upstream Portal Invert Diversion Tunnel - Not Applicable

Downstream Portal Invert Diversion Tunnel - Not Applicable

Streambed at Centerline of Dam - 288.0

Maximum Tailwater - None

- 1.3.4 Reservoir: Length of Maximum Pool 6.1 miles
- 1.3.5 Storage (acre-feet):

Recreation Pool - Not Applicable Flood Control Pool - Not Applicable SDF Surcharge - 59,540 Top of Dam - 62,000

#### 1.3.6 Reservoir Surface (acres):

Top of Dam - 2,620 SDF Surcharge - 2,590 Flood Control Pool - Not Applicable Recreation Pool - Not Applicable Spillway Crest - At Overflow Weir 2,400

1.3.7 <u>Dam:</u> Type - earthfill with concrete core wall and impervious zone.

Length - 640 feet

Height - 30 feet above the surface

Top Width - 15 feet

Side Slope - U/S 2(H):1(V) (top) to 3(H):1(V) (lower part)

D/S 2(H):1(V)

Zoning - An impervious zone with side slope of 1(H):1(V) on the upstream side of the core wall; top elevation 300.3 feet.

Impervious Core - Concrete core wall with top elevation 305.0 feet extending to final rock surface. Also, see "Zoning" above.

Cutoff - A shallow cutoff in foundation rock formed by base of concrete core wall.

Grout Curtain - None (Shallow foundation grouting for concrete core wall)

- 1.3.8 Diversion and Regulating Tunnel: Not Applicable
- 1.3.9 Spillway: Not Applicable
- 1.3.10 Regulatory Ourlet: Not Applicable

#### 2.0 ENGINEERING DATA

#### 2.1 DESIGN

Original design calculation data are not available for this dam. A brief description of the project design and subsurface investigation was given in the NJDWSC's 1925 report, pages 52-56 (Reference 2).

#### 2.2 CONSTRUCTION

A set of the record drawings showing plan, cross-sections, and profiles, are available at the NJDWSC's office at Wanaque, N.J. A brief description of the construction of this dam, including foundation condition, appeared in the NJDWSC's 1925 report, pages 158-159 (Reference 2). The dam was constructed between July 5, 1924 and October 10, 1926.

- 2.3 OPERATION Not Applicable
- 2.4 EVALUATION
- 2.4.1 <u>Availability</u>: Embankment material data and engineering design analysis data are not available.
- 2.4.2 Adequacy: The available design and construction data are adequate for this Phase I evaluation.
- 2.4.3 <u>Validity</u>: The record drawings appear to be consistent with observed structures, based on the visual inspection.

#### 3.0 VISUAL INSPECTION

#### 3.1 FINDINGS

- 3.1.1 <u>General</u>: The Phase I dam inspection was performed on May 23, 1978 by a team of Gilbert Associates, Inc. Engineers. (One previous inspection of this dam was performed on April 5, 1977 by Joseph Foley, Roscoe Jenning and Doug De Lorie of the NJDWSC. A copy of their report is attached in Appendix E.)
- 3.1.2 Dam: At least two local areas of the crest between Station 1+50 and Station 3+00 appeared to have settled from 4 to 6 inches. The upstream riprap slopes in these settled areas have experienced slight movement as indicated by flatter and irregular areas on the slope surface. The downstream slope was very uniform with little sloughing and erosion; the material exposed on the downstream slope was composed of silty sand and well graded gravel. Trees were cleared from the west half of the downstream slope, but standing trees remain on the east half of the slope. The east abutment rocks consist of some serpentinuous limestone or marble with a wide band of skarn mineralization (preliminarily identified as graphite and sulfide minerals) due to contact metamorphism. The rocks exposed on the west hillside are comprised chiefly of granitic gneiss, amphibolite and pegmatite. The rocks on the east abutment were observed to be broken and decomposed.

A large waterlogged or saturated area, dammed by a 5-foot high downstream dike, is located as close as four feet to the toe of the embankment. Flow from this area was estimated in the order of 15-20 gpm.

- 3.1.3 <u>Appurtenant Structures</u>: There are no flow or flood control structures at this dam.
- 3.1.4 Reservoir Area: The slopes of the reservoir rim near the dam site appear to be general stable, except on the right abutment where some large loose stones have fallen from the upper part of the hills apparently, due to natural erosion processes.

#### 3.2 EVALUATION

Two slightly concave areas on the upstream side of the dam crest, along with the small disturbance of the riprap slope, indicate that non-uniform settlement took place after construction.

Except for the core, the embankment materials are reputedly composed chiefly of well-drained silty sand and gravel of low erodibility, which is a basic contributing factor to the dam stability.

The poor drainage beyond the toe of the embankment was created by a downstream cross-valley dike, built to protect the toe area against scouring and backwater encroachment from Post Brook. The amount of underseepage flow observed at the point of discharge, some 80 feet beyond the toe, was relatively small and was considered insignificant.

The complex foundation condition at this site required an extensive rock excavation and grouting program in order to provide a watertight foundation, as described in Reference 2.

In summation, the existing condition of the dam is generally good, as defined in Appendix H, although the distressed area should be checked periodically for any possible movement.

#### 3.3 ATTENDEES

#### North Jersey District Water Supply Commission

Mario Di Laura

#### New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Larry Woscyna

#### Gilbert Associates, Inc.

Rudolph J. Wahanik Fine T. Hsu Rudy P. Visser

#### 4.0 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

#### 4.1 PROCEDURES

The water level in Wanaque Reservoir is contained by the Overflow Weir structure, several miles away, to a pool elevation of 302.4 feet MSL. The high water elevation recorded since October 1950 was 303.93 feet with excess flow passing over the uncontrolled weir. There is no operational procedure at Greenswamp Dam No. 1.

#### 4.2 MAINTENANCE OF DAM

The reservoir rim is traversed daily by NJDWSC guards who report apparent maintenance problems to the Chief Engineer. In addition, periodic inspections are made by engineers and/or other personnel of the NJDWSC and reports written regarding maintenance requirements. The 1977 inspection report (Appendix E) recommended removal of trees and shrubs. The trees on the right half of the downstream slope have been removed since the inspection. The NJDWSC has foresters employed to cut trees and otherwise maintain the woodlands on their property.

4.3 MAINTENANCE OF OPERATING FACILITIES - There are no operating facilities at this dam.

#### 4.4 DESCRIPTION OF ANY WARNING SYSTEM IN EFFECT

No automatic warning systems exist at this dam. A daily patrol is made by the NJDWSC security guards equipped with radios. According to NJWDSC personnel, the guards are instructed to radio the Wanaque police of any obvious, impending hazard to residents from the dams on the Wanaque Reservoir.

#### 4.5 EVALUATION

The maintenance procedures for this dam are generally adequate. However, additional work is required to repair the settled areas of the crest and riprap. The trees remaining on the downstream slope should be removed.

#### 5.0 HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC

#### 5.1 EVALUATION OF FEATURES

Other than the dam, there are no hydraulic structures or control facilities at this location. Reservoir overflow is provided by the Overflow Weir, located 2 miles to the east.

- 5.1.1 Design Data: The maximum pool elevation for the design discharge of 18,000 cfs is 304.3 feet. This is based on a spillway elevation of 300.3 feet plus a head of 4.0 feet, for the Overflow Weir. With the flashboards in place, the overflow functions as a sharp edged weir with an elevation of 302.4 feet, and a pool elevation of 306.6 feet with the design flow of 18,000 cfs.
- 5.1.2 Experience Data: The maximum recorded reservoir level since October, 1950 is 303.9 feet, (Reference 6 and 7), 6.1 feet lower than the crest of Greenswamp Dam No. 1. This level was reached in March, 1951.
- 5.1.3 <u>Visual Observations</u>: There is no visual evidence to indicate the dam has ever been overtopped.
- 5.1.4 Overtopping Potential: The PMF, when developed as described in Appendix D and with the flashboards on the Overflow Weir, results in a reservoir elevation of 308.8 feet. One-half of the PMF results in a reservoir elevation of 306.0 feet, with the flashboard in place.

Details on the methodology used and the hydrologic results are presented in Appendix  ${\tt D.}$ 

Reservoir Drawdown: The existing emergency drawdown facilities installed in the several dams of the Wanaque Reservoir are not adequate to lower the water level of the reservoir in a short period of time. It is recommended that the Owner design and later construct water release structures that will allow lowering of the water level within an acceptable period of time. A preliminary evaluation of the performance of the existing drawdown facilities is given in Appendix D. The time required to drawdown the Reservoir to the bottom surface level of Greenswamp Dam No. 1 (280 feet) using the existing facilities at Raymond Dam is:

System in Use	Time in Days
Aerator System	98
36-inch Diameter Blowoff	310
Aerator and Blowoff	75

6.0 DAM STABILITY

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- 6.1 EVALUATION OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY
- 6.1.1 <u>Visual Observations</u>: The local and minor movement of the upstream riprap and associated non-uniform settlements of the dam crest do not appear to affect the overall stability of the dam, as the area of concern appears to have been stabilized. A periodic check on further settlement activity in the affected area is needed.
- 6.1.2 Design and Construction Data: The NJDWSC's 1925 report (Reference 2, page 54) states that the geologic investigations during the initial phases of this project disclosed very complex underground conditions that required special treatment. Structural stability analysis for the dam's concrete core wall or embankment were not available and is not known to have been performed.
- 6.1.3 Operating Records: Not Applicable
- 6.1.4 Post Construction Changes: None
- 6.1.5 <u>Seismic Stability</u>: The dam is located within Zone 1 on the Algermissen's Seismic Risk Map of the United States (1969 Edition).

The static stability of the dam appears to be satisfactory and conventional safety margins appear to exist; therefore, in accordance with paragraph 3.6.4 of Reference 1, the dam may be assumed to present no hazard due to earthquakes.

#### 7.0 ASSESSMENT/REMEDIAL MEASURES

The assessment and remedial measures contained herein are based on the provisions of Appendix H, Conditions.

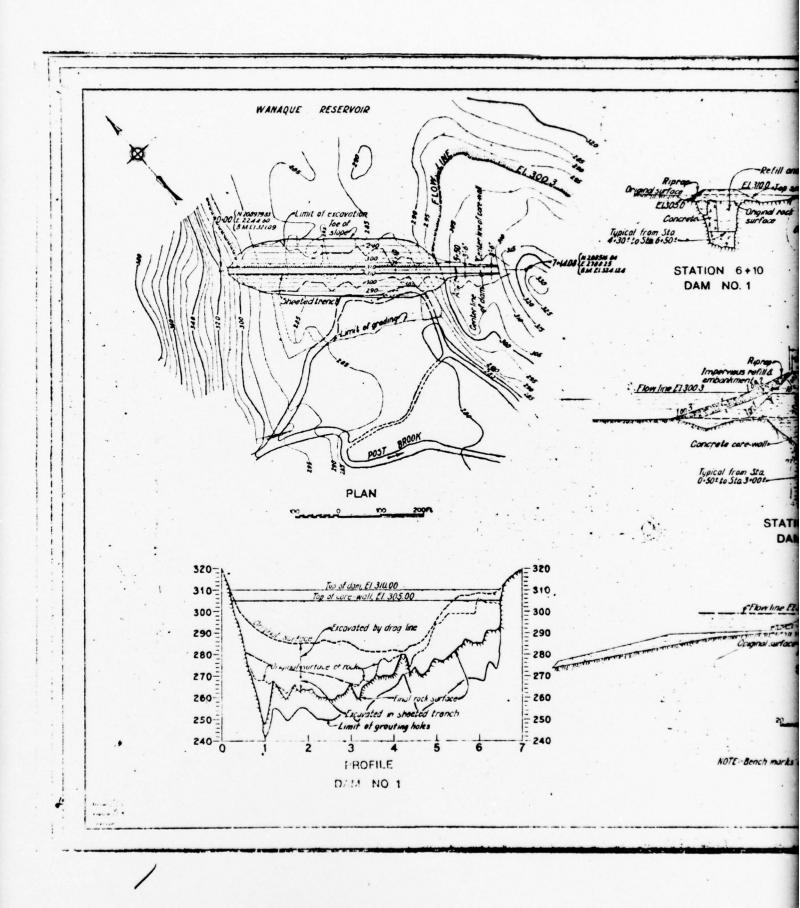
#### 7.1 DAM ASSESSMENT

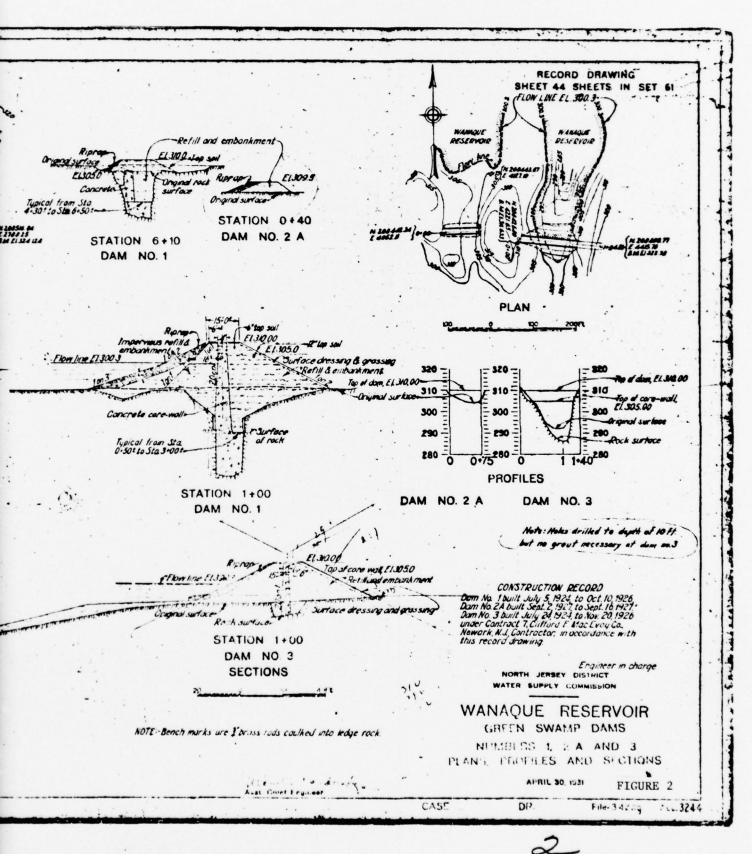
- 7.1.1 Safety: On the basis of visual inspection, the general condition of the dam is good, except in two local areas where the embankment has experienced minor non-uniform settlements. The dam is founded on a complex of fractured rock which required extensive treatment to achieve water tightness and stability. According to Reference 2, page 54, such conditions were encountered and required considerable over-excavation and grouting.
- 7.1.2 Adequacy of Information: Most of the design and construction information obtained from the NJDWSC's 1925 report (Reference 2) is adequate for this Phase I evaluation; however, test boring and embankment material data are insufficient.
- 7.1.3 <u>Urgency</u>: Actions needed are summarized on the Assessments of General Conditions sheet of this report.
- 7.1.4 Necessity for Further Studies: It is necessary to further study the potential hazardous condition if the pool level of the Wanaque Reservoir exceeds elevation 305 feet, the top of the concrete corewall (PMF at elevation 308.8 feet and 1/2 PMF at elevation 306.0 feet), and if water is allowed to percolate through the pervious section of the dam under variable hydrostatic heads.

#### 7.2 REMEDIAL MEASURES

- 7.2.1 Alternatives: The partially settled ground and disturbed riprap between Station 1+50 and Station 3+00 should be checked periodically for any possible further movement.
- 7.2.2 Operational/Maintenance Procedures: Clearing and prevention of tree growth on the east side of the downstream embankment should be continued. The cleared embankment slope should be redressed and seeded with selected grass.

11:1 1:51 GREEN SWAMP DAM #1 OVERFLOW WEIR Wanaque FIGURE I LOCATION MAP COCATION MAP





APPENDIX A

VISUAL CHECKLIST

Check List Visual Inspection Phase 1

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Green Swamp Dam No. 1 Name Dam:

County: Passaic

Philadelphia District Corps of Engineers State: New Jersey Cordinators:

Date(s) Inspection: May 23, 1978

76°F Temperature:

Weather: Clear

Tailwater at Time of Inspection: Not Available

Pool Elevation at Time of Inspection: 302.7\* MSL

Gilbert Associates, Inc.

Inspection Personnel:

Environmental Protection New Jersey Department of

North Jersey District Water Supply Commission

Laury Woscyna

Mario DiLaura

Rudolph J. Wahanik Fine T. Hsu Rudi P. Visser Fine T. Hsu - Recorder

\*Recorded this date at the Gaging Station at Raymond Dam.

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
SURPACE CRACKS	Physical cracks were not observed on the embankment itself	
UNUSUAL MOVEMENT OR CRACKING AT OR BEYOND THE TOE	No significant unusual movement or cracking at or beyond the toe was observed.	
SLOUGHING OR EROSION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTMENT SLOPES	The downstream embankment slopes were relatively uniform with little sloughing or erosion. Erosion at the abutment was not apparent except for some large rock debris from a rock fall. The upstream slopes have experienced slight movement, indicated by flatter and irregular slope surface.	Trees were removed along the downstream slope in the western half embankment area. Trees could be cut and removed in the eastern half of the embankment area.
VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL	Portions of the crest had settled variably (from approximately 4-inches to 6-inches) between Station 1+50 and 3+00 on the upstream side.	
RIPRAP PAILURES	Portions of the upstream riprap slope between Station 1+50 and 3+00 may have moved slightly as indicated by local flatter slopes (between 2-1/2(H):1(V) and 2(H):1(V) and surface irregularity at Station 4+65.	

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
JUNCTION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTMENT, SPILLWAY AND DAM	The contact of embankment and abutment appears to be in good condition and watertight.	East abutment rocks consist some serpentinuous limestone. West abutment is formed by gneiss rock.
ANY NOTICEABLE SEEPAGE	A large waterlogged or saturated zone as close as 4 feet to the toe of the embankment was observed. A flow of 15-20 gpm was estimated at the point of discharge located at approximately 80 feet beyond the toe near the left abutment.	A large flow of Post Brook was fed from a natural waterfall located some 600 feet beyond the embankment toe. A 5 feet high dike, aligned parallel to the dam, was built at a distanc of approximately 80 feet beyond the toe.
STAFF GAGE AND RECORDER	None.	
DRAINS	No pipe drains or filter drains were observed along the toe area.	

## INSTRUMENTATION

VISUAL EXAMINATION	OBSERVATIONS	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS
MONUMENTATION/SURVEYS	None was observed.	
OBSERVATION WELLS	None was observed.	

None was observed.

None was observed.

OTHER

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## RESERVOIR

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REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS	
OBSERVATIONS	A continuous exposure of bedrock along the right rim of reservoir around the dam has formed a steep and relatively stable slope. There are a few large loose rock blocks along the toe of the slopes, apparently the results of a rockfall.
VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	SLOPES

SEDIMENTATION

No sediments were observed in the reservoir near the dam. The rock slope and good vegetation cover near the dam site protects the area from excessive erosion and formation of sediment.

APPENDIX B

ENGINEERING DATA CHECKLISTS

## ENGINEERING DATA CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION APPENDIX B CHECK LIST DESIGN

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A tracing of the record drawing is available at the NJDWSC office in Wanaque, N.J. (hereafter referred to as NJDWSC-W).

> REGIONAL VICINITY MAP CONSTRUCTION HISTORY

The 1925 Commissioner's Report (Reference 2) is available at NJDWSC-W, The USGS Wanaque, N.J. 7-1/2 min. quadrangle map is available.

construction was printed in the N.E.W.W.A. Journal (Reference 3) during There is also a 1930 Some photos are available in the NJDWSC-W and the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection offices in Trenton, N.J. (DEP) and a 1931 Commissioner's report at NJDWSC-W, an article on the pages 158-159, detail construction of this dam. construction.

TYPICAL SECTIONS OF DAM

A section through the dam is shown on record drawing No. 44 of 61 which is available at NJDWSC-W (see page 13 of this report).

HYDROLOGIC/HYDRAULIC DATA

Records are available at NJDWSC-W and some are printed in USGS reports.

OUTLETS - PLAN

Not Applicable

- CONSTRAINTS - DETAILS

Not Applicable Not Applicable Not Applicable - DISCHARGE RATINGS

RAINFALL/RESERVOIR RECORDS

Excellent records are available from the USGS and NJDWSC from the time of construction of this dam.

# APPENDIX B (Continued)

REMARKS

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See Record Drawing Sheet 44 in set 61 showing as-built section, profile, and plan (See Figure 2 of this report).	All impervious materials required for constructing the impervious layer upstream apparently came from borrow area "A", shown in Drawing Sheet 3 in Set 31, Contract 7.
POST-CONSTRUCTION SURVEYS OF DAM	BORROW SOURCES

SPILLWAY PLAN	Not Applicable	ble	
SECTIONS	Not Applicable	ble	
DETAILS	Not Applicable	ble	

## APPENDIX B (Continued)

REMARKS

ITEM

OPERATING EQUIPMENT Not Applicable PLANS & DETAILS
MONITORING SYSTEMS None observed.

No modifications from the design of the dam were observed.

Records exist at the NJDWSC-W and USGS publications.

Annual reports for certain years are in dam file No. 32 of DEP.

PRIOR ACCIDENTS OR FAILURE None reported. OF DAM DESCRIPTION REPORTS

Operational levels of the reservoir are available from NJDWSC-W. MAINTENANCE OPERATION RECORDS

ENGINEERING STUDIES
AND REPORTS

POST CONSTRUCTION

HIGH POOL RECORDS

MODIFICATIONS

#### APPENDIX B (Continued)

### CHECK LIST ENGINEERING DATA HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC DATA

DRAINAGE AREA CHARACTERISTICS: Densely forrested, few homes, very hilly with minimal cover on bedrock.

ELEVATION TOP NORMAL POOL (STORAGE CAPACITY): 302.4 (44.350 acre-feet)

ELEVATION TOP FLOOD CONTROL POOL (STORAGE CAPACITY): Not Applicable

ELEVATION MAXIMUM SPILLWAY DESIGN FLOOD POOL: 308.8

ELEVATION TOP DAM: 310.00

CREST: Unpaved roadway

- a. Elevation: 310.0
- b. Type: Non-overflow
- c. Width: 15 feet (measured)
- d. Length: 640 feet (measured)
- e. Location Spillover: Not Applicable
- f. Number and Type of Gates: Not Applicable

#### OUTLET WORKS: None

- a. Type: Not Applicable
- b. Location: Not Applicable
- c. Entrance Inverts: Not Applicable
- d. Exit Inverts: Not Applicable
- e. Emergency Draindown Facilities: Not Applicable

#### HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL GAGES:

- a. Type: Rainfall recording charg, 24 hour precipitation can, and maximum and minimum temperature recorder. Float type continuous stream level recorder with drum chart.
- b. Location: Raymond Dam in Wanaque, New Jersey.
- c. Records: Weather data published as climatological Data-Wanaque-Raymond Dam by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Streamflow data is recorded by the U.S.G.S.

MAXIMUM NON-DAMAGING DISCHARGE: Non-overflow dam.

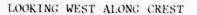
APPENDIX C

PHOTOGRAPHS



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PARTIALLY CLEARED DOWNSTREAM SLOPE LOOKING TOWARDS LEFT ABUTMENT





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APPENDIX D

RESERVOIR HYDROLOGY AND DRAWDOWN

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#### Reservoir Hydrology

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The hydrologic analysis presented in this Report and in the Appendix pertains to present hydrologic conditions and does not consider future changes produced by uncertain conditions such as urbanization, forest fires, or other modifications within the watershed.

The inflow Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) Hydrograph for Wanaque Reservoir was supplied by the Philadelphia Office of the Corps of Engineers (Reference 8) and is shown in Figure D-1. This hydrograph has a peak flow rate of 33,500 cfs occurring 50 hours after its start. The total runoff volume is 94,500 acre-feet, over a time span of 140 hours. The HEC-1 Computer Program (Reference 5) was used to route this hydrograph through the reservoir. The main discharge structure for Wanaque Reservoir is a 520-feet long Overflow Weir about 1.34 miles east of Green Swamp Dam No. 1, which has had permanent flashboards in place since 1934. The storage volume-spillway outflow relation was determined assuming that the initial water surface elevation was at the top of the flashboards (302.4) and the structure functions as a sharp-crested weir.

Since the flashboards are not designed to break away, the spillway discharge and the reservoir storage/spillway outflow relationships used in HEC-1 for routing the PMF and one-half PMF through the reservoir assume the flashboards are in place. These relationships are in Figure D-2.

Water Elevation ft.	Spillway Discharge cfs	Reservoir Storage Acre-ft.
302.4	0	0
303	820	1381
304	3760	3530
305	8410	5678
306	14210	7765
307	18640	9822
308	23700	12431
309	28900	14270
310	35300	16418

The surface area and storage of the Wanaque Reservoir at different water levels (Reference 2) are shown in Figure D-3. Their values are:

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Water Elevation ft.	Surface Area Acre	Storage Acre-ft.
215	0	0
220	40	153
230	190	1228
240	370	4910
250	790	9820
260	1070	19027
270	1300	31303
280	1630	45420
290	1960	63326
300	2310	84701
310*	2620	106183
312*	2680	110480

\*Values extraplated from elevation 305.00-feet. (Reference 2)

Results of this routing procedure indicate that the PMF would raise the pool elevation to about 308.8 feet. Routing one-half the PMF (16,750 cfs) through Wanaque Reservoir raises the pool elevation to about 306.0 feet, 4 feet below the crest of Greenswamp Dam No. 1.

Flood routing was also performed assuming that the flashboards were removed. In this case, the storage volume-outflow relation was determined with the starting water surface elevation at the top of the spillway crest (300.3 feet) and the Overflow Weir discharging as an uncontrolled ogee crest spillway. HEC-1 results indicate that the PMF would raise the pool elevation to 306.9 feet. The reservoir was designed to safely discharge 18,000 cfs (slightly larger than 1/2 of the PMF) without the flashboards in place. Graphs of pool elevation versus time for the PMF and 1/2 PMF routing, with and without flashboards, are found in Figures D-4 and D-5.

#### Reservoir Drawdown

If an emergency condition that affects the stability of one of several dams that form the Wanaque Reservoir or of the outlet and control works of the Raymond Dam develops, then a fast drawdown of the reservoir to a lower water level will be required. The lower water level depends on the location and nature of the hazardous condition. Figure D-6 shows graphically the times required to lower the reservoir level with the existing facilities.

The water level in the Wanaque Reservoir can be lowered by means of:

- a. The Wanaque Aqueduct System.
- b. The existing aerator system.
- c. A 36-inch diameter blowoff.
- d. The blowoff and the aerator together.
- e. Other blowoff lines.

All drawdown times were computed considering that the minimum inflow of 2 cfs/square mile into the reservoir was equalized by the system demand and other water loses.

# A. The Wanaque Aqueduct

The potential of the Wanaque Aqueduct to lower the water level in the reservoir during an emergency condition is non-existant because a minimum inflow of 2 cfs/sq. mile, which is equivalent to 117 MGD, will supply the average daily demand of the distribution system. Table 1 gives the average water consumption during the last ten years.

Table 1

Year	Demand (MGD)
1967	95.37
1968	106.92
1969	111.17
1970	113.45
1971	112.88
1972	112.17
1973	103.09
1974	98.90
1975	92.07
1976	90.58
1977	107.90

# B. Aerator System

Operation of the existing aerator system will drawdown the reservoir water level between the crest of the overflow weir at elevation 302.4 feet and the top of the aeration nozzles at elevation 240.5 feet in the following times:

Water Level (Feet)	Total Time (Days)
302.4	0
300	10.39
290	55.42
280	98.03
270	135.76
260	174.69
250	212.65
240.5	253.65

## C. 36-Inch Diameter Blowoff

The 36-inch diameter blowoff installed at the bottom of the Raymond Dam in the stream control conduits can be used to lower the reservoir level to an elevation of 222.00 which corresponds to the entrance intake sill of the lower conduit. The blowoff discharge is located at centerline elevation 213.38 feet. The times in days required by the blowoff line operating alone to lower the reservoir water level are:

Water Level	(Feet)	Total	Time	(Days)
302.4			0	
300			33.	18
290			177.5	59
280			309.4	41
270			420.2	21
260			525.4	48
250			613.4	40
240			677.2	29
230			713.8	39
222			728.	79

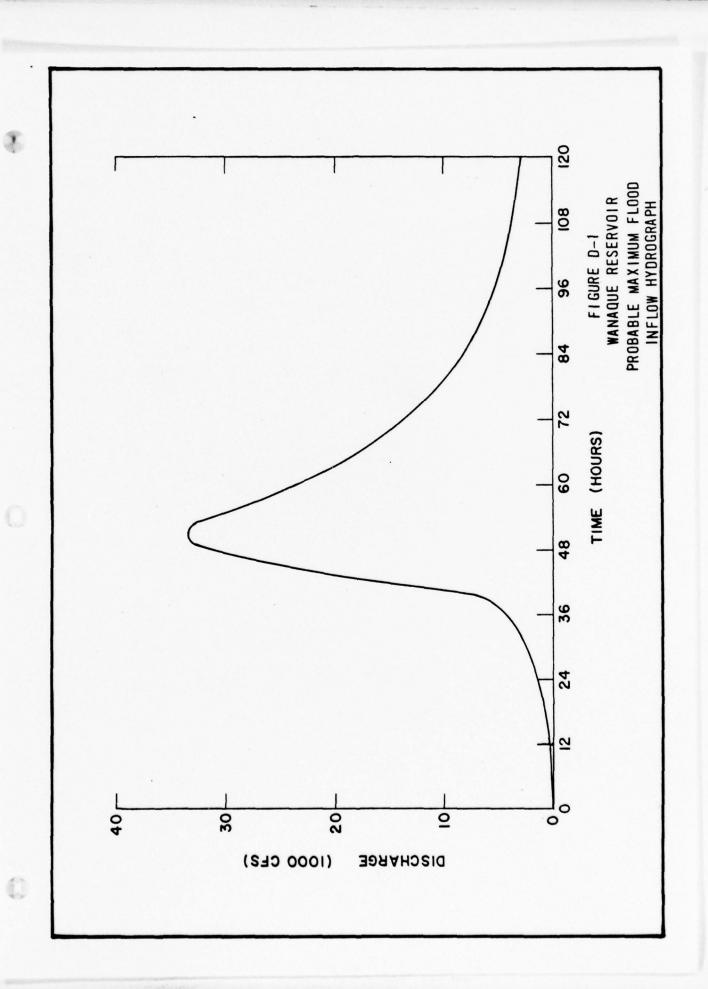
# D. Blowoff and Aerator

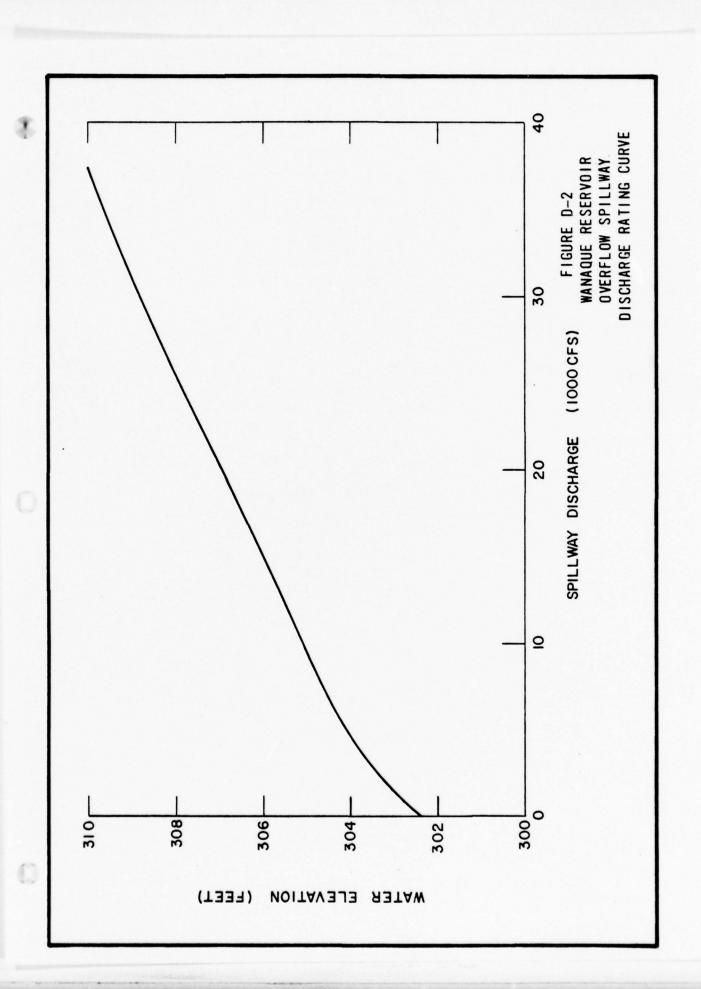
Simultaneous operation of the 36-inch diameter blowoff pipe in conjunction with the aerator system will lower the reservoir water level in the following times:

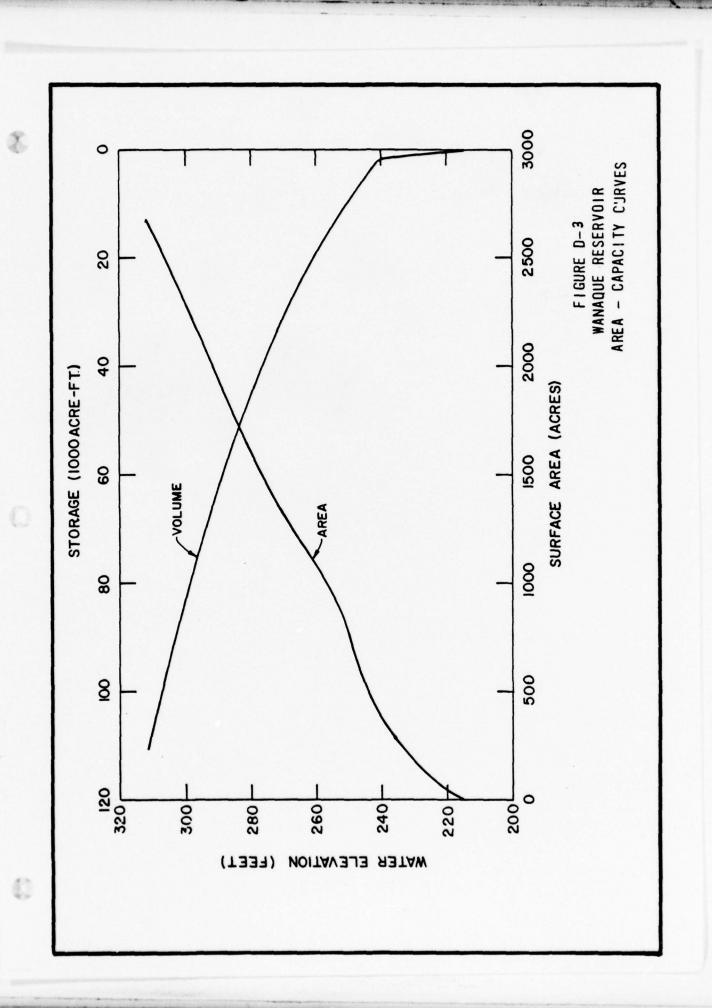
Water	Level (Feet)	Total Time (Days)
	302.4	0
	300	7.94
	295	42.29
	280	74.48
	270	102.63
	260	131.05
	250	157.55
	240	181.98
	230	218.58
	222	233.48

# E. Other Blowoff Lines

Smaller diameter blowoff lines installed in several of the dams around the Wanaque Reservoir are not known to be in operable condition because, since its installation in 1925, the lines have not been inspected, operated, or maintained.







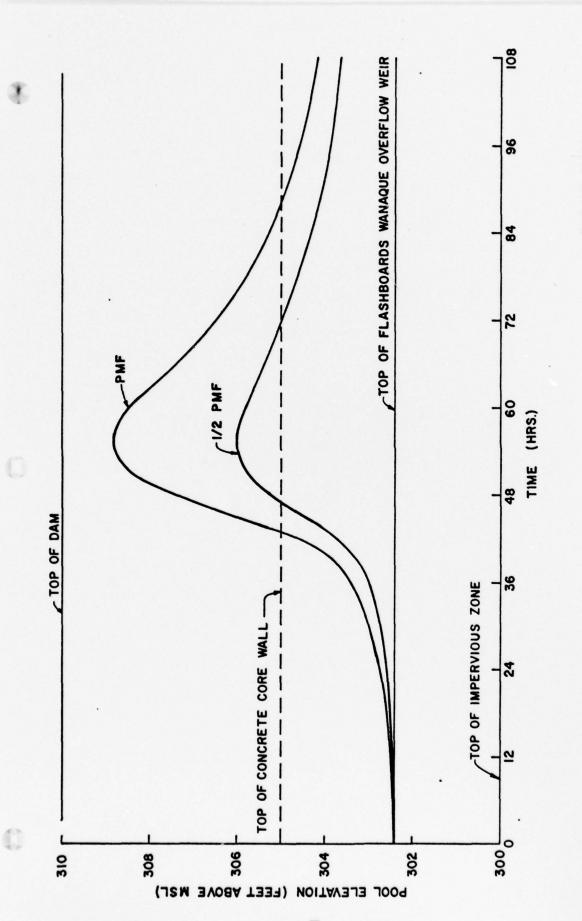


FIGURE D-4
FLOOD ROUTING THROUGH
WANAQUE RESERVOIR WITH
FLASHBOARDS IN PLACE

GREEN SWAMP DAM #1

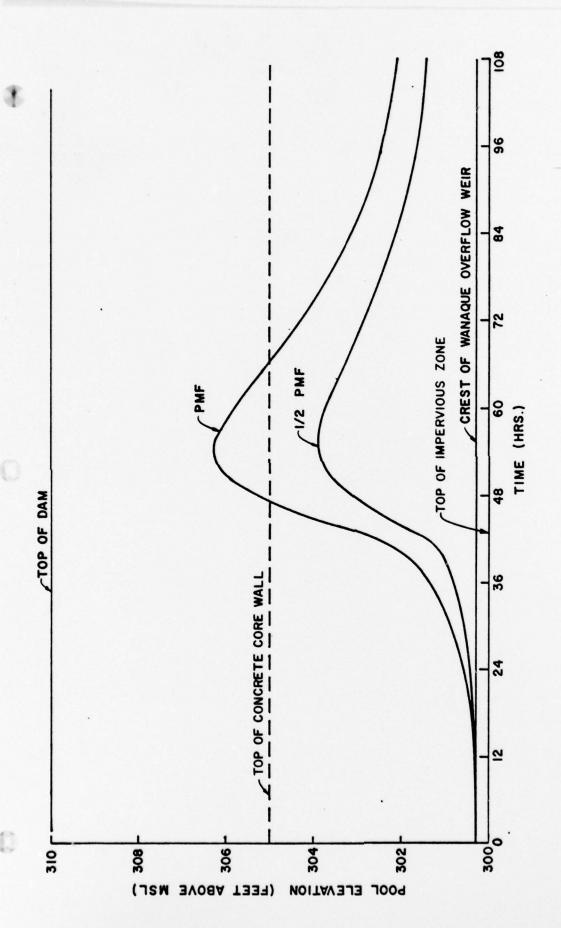
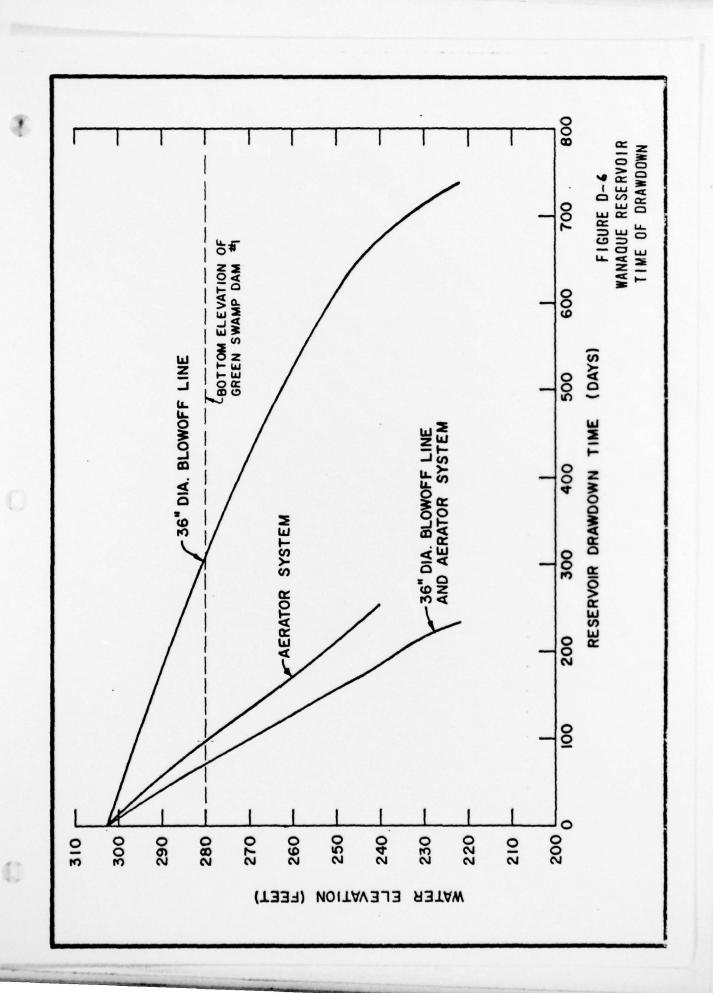


FIGURE D-5
FLOOD ROUTING THROUGH
WANAQUE RESERVOIR WITHOUT
FLASHBOARDS IN PLACE
GREEN SWAMP DAM # I



# APPENDIX E

# PREVIOUS INSPECTION REPORTS

(The North Jersey District Water Supply Commission provided the inspection reports contained herein.)

## NORTH JERSEY DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Dam Inspection File

FROM: Joseph Foley, Engineer

DATE: April 5, 1977

On March 31, 1977 Roscoe Jennings, Doug De Lorie and I inspected the dams at the Wanaque Reservoir; the following is a report on their conditions and recommendations on maintenance of same.

## FURNACE ROAD DAM

Condition: There are trees and brush on the wet and dry sides of the dam and also a small swamp of apparently trapped water behind the dam.

Recommendations: The trees should be killed and removed using poison suitable for potable water.

#### MIDVALE DAM

Condition: Some trees are growing on the wet and dry sides of the dam. There is a small spring flowing from the foot of the dam at the north end. Wet spots and soft wet sand are also apparent at the foot of the dam. No sink holes or other indications of dam failure were apparent at this location. A sample of water from this spring and a sample from the reservoir were taken and anlyzed, the results are as follows:

Spring Water: Specific conductivity 68 pH 6.3

Reservoir Water: Specific conductivity 102 pH 6.9

The results indicate that this water is more likely to be ground water than reservoir water. (For additional information, please refer to a memo from Bob Wieland to George Destito dated May 3, 1976).

Recommendations: The trees on the dam should be killed and removed. The dam should also be checked periodically to be sure the spring is not a leak in the dam.

## RAYMOND DAM

Condition: Excellent

## SPILLWAY

Condition: Good, except that it was indicated by Ernie Restaino that there is a small leak in the spillway. I did not observe it because of the overflow. I will check it again when the reservoir goes down.

Recommendations: The leak in the spillway should be fixed when the reservoir goes down.

#### WOLF DEN DAM

Condition: There are trees and shrubs on both the wet and dry sides. There are small springs flowing from the low sections behind the dam. Some samples were also taken here and the results were that the water had a specific conductivity of 90 and a pH of 6.3, so this water is most likely ground water also.

Recommendations: I recommend that the trees and shrubs be removed.

## GREEN SWAMP

#### #4 Dam

Condition: The general condition of the dam is good, although sections of the gunite surfacing are cracked and have fallen off (especially near the expansion joints), due to moisture that found its way under the guite. There was water running out of the drain but this flow was not excessive.

Recommendations: The cracked and loose gunite should be chipped away and replaced and at the expansion joints, the gunite should be chipped and tar poured in to allow expansion of the concrete.

#### #3 and #2A Dams

Condition: Both small dams are heavily wooded and there is a small swamp behind the #3 dam.

Recommendations: The only recommendation for these dams is that the trees be removed from both sides of the dams.

#2 Dam

Condition: This dam is in excellent condition, except around the expansion joints where the gunite is cracked due to the fact that no allowance was made for expansion when the guite was applied to the dam. There is also a swamp behind this dam, but this looks like a natural swamp.

Recommendations: The gunite at the expansion joints should be chipped away and tar poured in to allow expansion and any other cracks in the gunite should be chipped and repaired.

#1 Dam

Condition: There are trees and shrubs on both wet and dry sides of this dam. There is also a swamp behind the dam.

Recommendations: The dam should be cleared of trees and shrubs.

As a result of my research, so far on dam inspection, I received a booklet, "Supervision of Dams by State Authorities" published by the United States Committee on large dams, July 1966. This publication had little information on the actual inspection of dams but it did have some useful information such as: the function of dam supervision in New Jersey is performed by the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Policy and Supply, Department of Conservation and Economic development. Inspection of dams is done by the State at the State's own expense on the complaint of potential failure.

Additional information on dam inspection is also coming from the Corps of Engineers and the United States Committee on Large Dams.

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cc: Dean C. Noll Robert G. Wieland Report on Dem Inspection

#### TAMAQUE PROJECT

Application No. 32.

Location 23.31.5.4.8 and nearby.

On Farch 25, 1928, the gates in the main dam were closed except for the passage of 27 m. g. d. through the blow-off, and on Earch 29, 1929, the water in the reservoir had risen 7 feet.

On Warch 29, 1928, in company with Mr. H. T. Critchlow, inspection was made of all of the dams in the Tanaque project.

Furnace Road dam was found to be about 50 per cent complete.

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Grain Swamn Dams Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 were complete and were given final inspection.

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John W. Aronks Extraulio Engineer.

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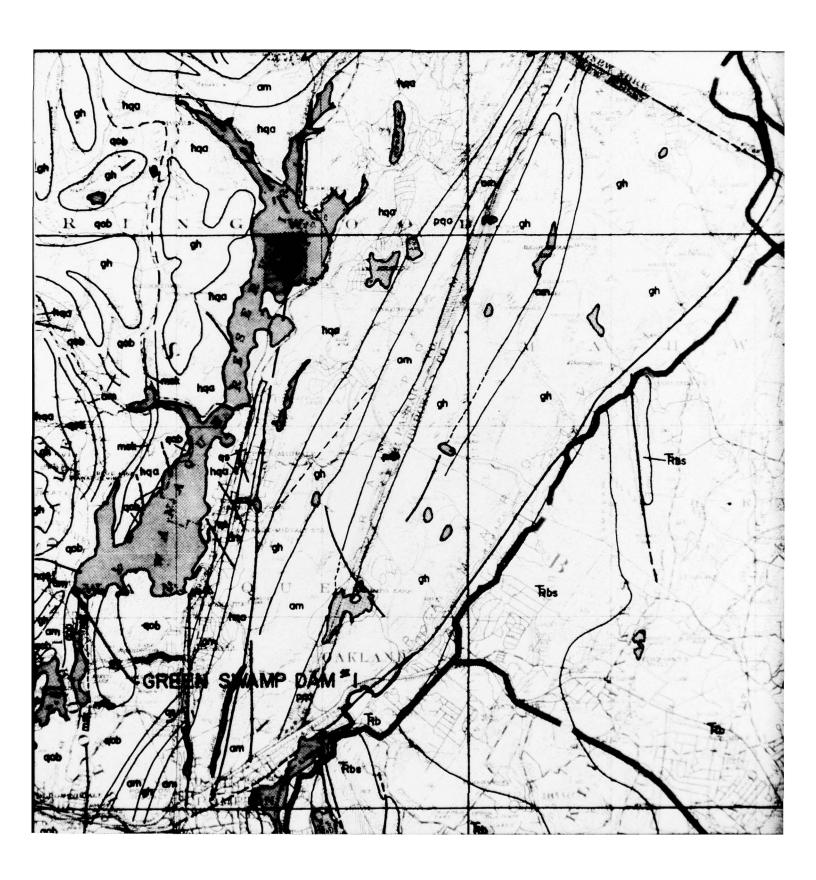
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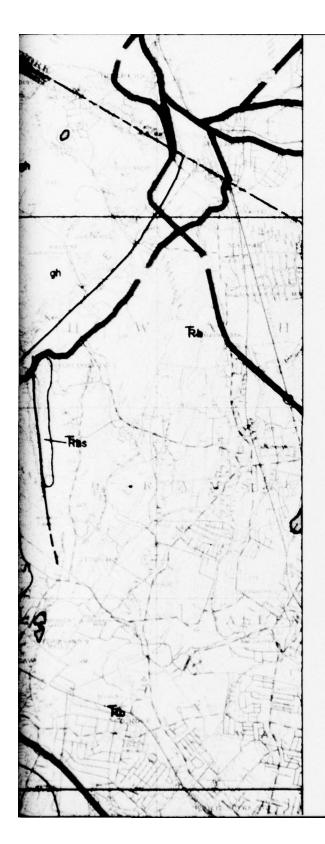
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APPENDIX F
REGIONAL GEOLOGIC MAP





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The Brunswick Formation

Rbs BASALT FLOWS

PRECAMBRIAN

gh MOSTLY HORNBLENDE GRANITE AND GRANITE GNEISS

am AMPHIBOLITE

PYROXENE GNEISS; MAINLY QUARTZ-OLIGOCLASE -

CLINOPYROXENE GNEISS

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WITH BOTH ORTHO-AND CLINOPYROXENE

qo QUARTZ-OLIGOCLASE-GNEISS

qob QUARTZ-OLIGOCLASE-BIOTITE GNEISS

qs SILLIMANITE GNEISS

msk MARBLE AND SKARN

-- CONTACT LINE
-- FAULT LINE

## NOTES

- 1. THE PRECAMBRIAN MAP UNITS REPRESENT GENERALIZED GROUPINGS OF ROCK TYPES BASED MAINLY ON MINERAL COMPOSITION. THERE IS MUCH LOCAL VARIATION IN THE MINERAL COMPOSITION.
- 2. THE CONTACT LINES AND FAULT LINE SHOWN ON THE DRAWING ARE DASHED WHERE INFERRED.

## SOURCE

NEW JERSEY GEOLOGICAL SURVEY TOPOGRAPHIC SERIES AND GEOLOGIC OVERLAY SHEETS 23.



APPENDIX F
REGIONAL GEOLOGIC MAP
SHOWING DAM LOCATION

APPENDIX G

REFERENCES

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#### REFERENCES

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APPENDIX H

CONDITIONS

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#### CONDITIONS

This report is based on a visual inspection of the dam, a review of available engineering data, and a hydrologic analysis performed during Phase I investigation as set forth in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, as modified by the contract between the U.S. Corps of Engineers and Gilbert Associates, Inc., Contract No. DACW61-78-C-0114.

The foregoing review, inspection, and analysis are by their nature limited in scope. It is possible that hazardous conditions exist and that conditions exist which with time might develop into safety hazards and that these conditions are not detectable by means of the aforesaid review, inspection, and analysis. Accordingly Gilbert Associates, Inc. cannot and does not warrant or represent that conditions which are hazardous do not exist, or that conditions do not exist which with time might develop into safety hazards.

As required by the Corps of Engineers, the terms "good", "fair", "poor", "condition" have been used in this report to characterize the information obtained from the aforesaid review, inspection, and analysis. The definitions of these terms as used are:

"good condition" - minor studies or remedial measures are required.

"fair condition" - sizeable studies or remedial measures are required due to the deficiencies which could be hazardous depending on conditions. Immediate attention is required.

. "poor condition" - major studies or remedial measures are required due to deficiencies which could be hazardous depending on conditions. Immediate studies or corrective action is required.